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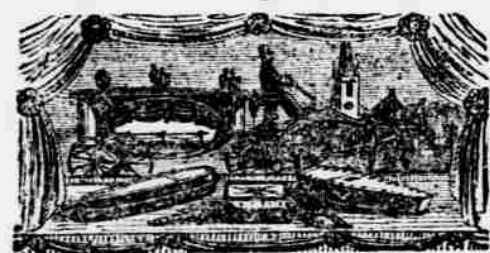
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Mohammedanism.

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The state of things out of which Mohammedanism grew up was such that no one claiming the name of Christian can look back to it with any other feelings than those of shame.

The sixth century was pointed out in prophecy as the time when the transgressors are come to the full. In all parts of the State there were seditions and revolts, and in the Church it was the age of heresies. The very existence of God was mangled over until He was a myth. Every heresy that has cursed and distracted the Church was found then in substance. Professed Christians denounced, reviled, persecuted, butchered, and assassinated one another, until the very name of Christian became a stench in the public nostrils.

During this century the Christians suffered little persecution from Jews or Pagans. It was not necessary. They destroyed themselves and each other much more completely than both Jews and Pagans could have done the work; so Satan outside of the Church had a rest.

This condition of affairs cried to God for vengeance, and He raised up Mohammed to do His work, and qualified him for it, and furnished him all necessary assistance.

Few men have been the subjects of more abundant and varied abuse than Mohammed, and even to this day the system he founded is regarded by many who claim to be intelligent Christian men as the sum of all villainies, and the exponents of his system are placed outside the pale of toleration and respect.

It is forgotten that he who could found a system which once set up has lasted almost thirteen centuries, and is to-day making rapid strides forward, should command the earnest and respectful attention of thinking men in all nations.

Unless even the testimony of his enemies is at fault, Mohammed was a man of splendid personal appearance, and gifted with a good understanding of human nature, and of the times in which he lived. He had a vast and penetrating genius, a most attractive eloquence, and great personal integrity. That he was ambitious and unscrupulous is equally true.

One thing may be said here: When he declared that he was commissioned of God to reform the religion of the world, he told the truth; for candor compels the admission that his system, bad as it was, was a great improvement on the Christianity that preceded it.

He set forth his principles in the Koran or Mohammedan Bible, and owing to its intimate acquaintance with both the Jewish and Christian organizations, some have affirmed that Mohammed could not have written it; and some have in consequence affirmed its direct inspiration, whilst others have attributed its existence to Sergius.

Mohammed could not write, and the most reasonable solution is that he dictated and that Sergius acted as amanuensis.

In support of this theory, it is urged that in some parts of Cush or Ethiopia the knowledge of the true God remained a long time. The wife of Moses was an Ethiopian. Some of that people were in the service of King David. Solomon subdued at least a part of that country. Under Zerah, their king, they invaded Judea. During the Babylonish captivity many Jews went into that country, and still more during the wars of the Syrian succession. At the day of Pentecost Arabians were present. Philip baptized an Ethiopian or Arabian eunuch. The Apostle Paul visited them, as also did Bartholomew. And added to all these facts, Mohammed was a very careful observer, and in his trading expeditions had been from his childhood conversant with both Jews and Christians, and so had great opportunity to acquaint himself with their whole history, and so be able to select such portions of it as suited him.

When Mohammed died his followers divided. One school followed his father-in-law, the Khalif Abu-beker, and in addition to the Koran held to another law said to have been given by Mohammed by oral tradition. This was rejected by the other sect or school, which followed Ali, a son-in-law of the Prophet. These two sects abuse and persecute each other just like Christians.

The Koran is divided into 114 chapters, under as many different headings, and is devoid of system, so that close attention is needed to find out what it teaches. As might be expected, as a reaction must precede a reformation,

and as Christians had fought over the doctrine of the Trinity until the very existence of God had become a myth, so the Koran teaches a pure Deism—God is God. It admits that Moses and Christ were prophets of God, but places Mohammed above them both. It denies that Christ was crucified, and asserts that God took Him unto Himself and put another man into His place. It is squarely opposed to all polytheism and idolatry. It holds very strongly to the doctrines of the resurrection, the judgment and perpetual rewards and punishments of men; but denies immortality to women, asserting that they are only the earthly companions of men, for whom, if they are believers in the Prophet, he will furnish better-looking ones "in the good time coming." It allows a man four wives, who are free women, and as many slaves for concubines as he chooses; but a slave cannot be reduced to concubinage by force. It denounces incest, forbids taking usury, eating pork, and drinking wine or strong drink. It requires the rite of circumcision, and demands obedience to parents and kindness to the old, the orphan, and the poor.

In our next article we will show the progress of Mohammedanism, and account for its rapid diffusion and long continuance. T. C.

Various Matters.

SCIENTIFIC men in Japan are discussing the possibility of utilizing the internal heat of the earth.

A ST. LOUIS jury decided that a drowned drunkard came to his death "while in a fit of voluntary insanity."

THE Rev. Frederick Stovener accuses the Rev. James Beard of stealing sermons from old books. Both are Indianapolis pastors.

EVERY immigrant at Indianapolis is compelled to show his or her arm to a medical official, and if it does not bear a vaccination mark, the operation is at once performed.

THE Cincinnati Times-Star: "Some of the citizens of Ironton, Mo., attended church last Sunday morning, but others, more worldly minded, turned out and lynched a negro."

A SALOON at Ironton, Mich., was demolished with giant powder, not by total abstinence enemies, but by drinkers who were displaced by the bad quality of the liquors sold.

THERE are more than 1,000 cuts connected with the United States postal service, their especial duties being to distribute rats and vanquish mice that are prone to make mail-bags their habitat.

SWARMS of crickets are now raiding upon Sprague River Valley, Oregon. They destroy grain and vegetables where found, and unceremoniously enter houses, jump the dinner table, or crawl on the beds.

A GOOD farm in Indiana has been allowed to run to weeds for five years, because of a belief that it is under the curse of a former owner, whose ghost walks the fields at night, and would make it unpleasant for a tenant.

A RECENTLY arrived immigrant, filled with a commendable spirit of reform, has just announced his willingness to become a candidate for the Presidency, agreeing to conduct the affairs of that office for \$25 per year from each State.

TWO hundred refugees were saved during the bombardment of Alexandria in the Catholic chapel by the ingenuity of the Arab doorkeeper, who told the soldiers that the place was empty, and there was nothing to steal or he would have taken it himself.

A MARRIAGE at Cobb, Wisconsin, was between a widow, aged seventy-two, and her adopted son, aged twenty-three. Her first husband had on his death-bed advised the match, as a means of preventing the raising of certain legal questions regarding his estate.

THERE is an American colony in Berlin, including two hundred native-born members. About fifty of these are students at the university, at the Veterinary School and at the conservatories. There are also many German-Americans who belong rightly to the colony.

THE Rev. Sylvanus Hayward, who preaches in Globe, Mass., declares bluntly that the increase in divorce in that State is not due to greater laxity in the laws, but to an enormous increase of wickedness among the people, and he holds that the remedy must be found in an improvement in their morals.

PROF. PAUL BERT, of France, has made experiments to determine the limit of safety in using chloroform. He found not only in chloroform, but in all anesthetics except protoxide of nitrogen, that the death dose is exactly double that required to produce insensibility when applied to dogs, sparrows and mice.

PROF. BADEN POWELL, an eminent scientist, shows that the dangers of ballooning are exaggerated. In England there have been only six deaths in some 6,000 ascents, and four of these deaths were due to passengers jumping out or being thrown out of the car and coming into collision with some object in a violent wind.

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[Letter No. 2.]

DARK CORNERS, Iron Co., Aug. 5, '82.

Mister Editor—Your excellent paper came to hand last week, containing my letter, and I think was read with much interest at "The Corners." I desire to thank you for one thing, Mister Editor, and that is for not abusing the Greenback party, like many of the little scrub editors of the country do. The reason, as I take it, is you have gumption enough to see that the Greenback-Labor party is not so insignificant after all, and, in fact, is not to be grinned at by them that has no teeth.

Let me inform your many readers that might nigh everybody at "The Corners" are Greenbackers (and, I might mention, are solid for Unkle Jerry for the Legislature). And, I take it, that your further reason for treating the Greenbackers with the kindness that you do, is that you recognize the right of every American citizen to think, speak, and vote just as he pleases (and to be a candidate, too, if he chooses to be).

Now, I think this rumrin' fur office is at least respectable. In fact, might nigh every voter in this county has either been a candidate fur office in his time or intends to be one some day.

To make the matter short, Mister Editor, though not an office-seeker, I have at last yielded to the solicitations of my many friends to become a candidate fur the Legislature; and so you may, if you will, therefore announce my name in the next REGISTER. (You will please excuse me fur not sending the "V" this time, Mr. Ake, but you shall have it just as soon as I get returns from the Committee. I look fur greenbacks to be more plenty in the country if I go to the Legislature!)

Before I consented to place myself at the head of the Greenback ticket, I determined to take the old woman's advice and inquire around of the most prominent Greenbackers (and Republicans) at "The Corners" and elsewhere, to see what they thought of the Greenback-Labor party electing their man this time, and, in the absence of any better man, how they thought I would do for the standard-bearer.

I guess I might just as well tell you, Mr. Editor, what they all said, and you will then see what good chances I have of election. Well, the first man I struck was my old friend Parson Crocker. After talking a good bit about the crops, county politics and the unfairness and corruption of the late primaries, I told him that I had been solicited by a great number of friends to allow my name to be used by them as a candidate for the Legislature on the Greenback-Labor ticket, and that before deciding I wanted his advice. He told me that the public had for a long time been looking for a suitable man to combine upon, and that none was so suitable as myself; said if he was in my place he'd run; thinks the Greenbackers have the only true theory of politics anyway, and that the Democrats will find a good many more of them than they think fur, when they get a leader; "and," said he, "the Republicans will vote for you to a man—and you'll be elected. Just put that in your hat!" He also informed me that his neighborhood would go solid for me.

The next thing I did was to saddle old Roan and ride over to Bellevue Valley and see my old friends over there. Well, who should I first meet but my old-time friend, Wm. Bell. I went to business at once, and told him that I had been solicited to run for the Legislature and would like his honest advice; told him I would have no trouble in carrying the county elsewhere but there, and that if I could get an even "stand off" there, I could be elected. Said he: "Unkle, you know I have always been your friend, and could not now advise you to take a step so certain of defeat. Tom Foley has been nominated. He was raised here. He's a good fellow, and not a bit stingy. He'll be elected." It seemed to me that he wanted to discourage me, and so I left him.

I determined next to see my friend Judge Hancock, of Pilot Knob, and ask his opinion. I had a fat cow to sell and thought I could thus "kill two birds with one stone." I went straight to the point and told him my business. He said he was no Greenbacker, but if he was he would support me; said he had gone into primaries and would of course abide their decision, as any good Democrat would. He referred me to his old friend and mine, Peter Jaquith; said he was a prominent Republican, and I would better see him; which I did at once. I told him my plans fur going to Jefferson; asked him if he and Mr. Peck, of Ironton, could secure me the Republican vote of the county. He merely shook his head without a word, but I believe he'll vote for me.

I next went to Ironton, where I consulted the ever-hopeful, jovial and polite Captain Bradley. He assured me that the idea was a grand one, and would take with the people; said a good, sturdy farmer was just what we needed for the Legislature—one that couldn't be bought; said if I would only announce, I need do nothing else; he would canvass the county for me, and would secure me every Republican vote in the county.

I saw many others who encouraged me in like manner. So now, Mr. Editor, don't you think my chances pretty good? Please pardon me for writing so long, and I will promise not to weary your readers next time. Please state that I will address the people at "The Corners," August 6th, on the issues of the Greenback-Labor party; and I invite the other candidates, and especially those for the Legislature, to be present!

Very truly yours, UNKLE JERRY.
P. S.—Please send down your reporter the REGISTER, and we'll have some elder. U. J.